



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mayor and Council

Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey

February 13, 2023

(PAH) Call Meeting to Order

Time: 7 p.m.

Mayor's Announcement:

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD and SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been provided to individuals requesting the same.

(LA) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
MAYOR HOELSCHER (PAH)	X	
NAPOLITANO(AN)	X	
EVANELLA (GE)	X	
BLACKINTON(WB)	X	
WALKER (DW)	X	
PEDERSEN (JP)	X	
CHUNG (JC)	X	

Also present:

Ms. Leena Abaza, Deputy Clerk (LA)

Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi (KJT)

Mr. John Dineen, Borough Attorney (JRD) present via teleconference.

Mr. Gregory Polyniak Borough Engineer. (GP)

(PAH) Flag Salute

Suspend regular business.

Motion by GE

Second by JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT PRESENTED TO THE 2022 VARSITY NORTHERN VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AT OLD TAPPAN GOLDEN KNIGHTS FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE NJ STATE GROUP 3 CHAMPIONSHIP

PAH and LA handed out the Certificates of Achievement to the 2022 Varsity Northern Valley Regional High School at Old Tappan Golden Knights Football Team including the coaches.

PAH gave a brief speech commending the team on their great achievement on a local level. “There is no I in Team”. Reaching the NJ State Championship is an accomplishment at a young age, and he stated he is very proud of the Football team for reaching that goal. Thanked the school and parents for taking part in this by supporting the football players. He said God Bless everyone and thank you for your coming this evening.

PAH noticed the presence of residents and asked to open the public portion of the meeting.

(PAH)Open the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion at 7:15 pm.

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

Janet Goodman, 589 Lynn Street – She said she is here to discuss pedestrian safety on Blanch Ave. It has been four years since my initial complaint in 2009 and then she mentioned she went to a Mayor and Council Meeting in 2021. Over the course of the four years, I have been given multiple reasons why there are no crosswalks or landing pads on Blanch Ave. I was no crosswalks or landing pads can be installed on Blanch Ave because it is a County Road. Parkside and Harriot Ave. both have crosswalks and they are County roads. She referenced the Master Plan of 1991 and the reexamine in 2009. River Vale and other communities have addressed the pedestrian safety issues and they were county roads- how come HP cannot address this for the safety of the residents? She stated the Master Plan reexamine report notes “as noted in previous reexamines despite the progress there is still developmental issues. Blanch Ave. was one of the roads that remained a safety concern. There is access to Highland field but not to Pondside. She was told at the meeting in 2022, this issue will be taken care of in 2024 and now she is being told it will not be taken care of. She questioned if the Borough is applying for another grant to pave a road instead of resolving the pedestrian safety issue on Blanch Ave. Last year the Borough applied for and received a grant for \$180,000 to pave Parkway. There are grants that the Borough can apply for, for instance, the Local Aid Infrastructure Grants, the monies from that grant can be used towards addressing the pedestrian issue on Blanch Ave. and other roads where there are no sidewalks, crosswalks, or signs for commuters to slow down. She mentioned the residents in that area are requesting signs, a reduction of the speed limit, crosswalks, sidewalks, or at least a bicycle lane on Blanch Ave. this will allow access to the school and Pondside. She urged the Mayor and Council to apply for the Municipal Aid Grant and resolve the pedestrian safety issue on Blanch Ave.

PAH - He stated that he attended numerous meetings regarding the pedestrian safety issue on Blanch Ave. The Borough is installing digital signs to monitor the speed limits on Blanch Ave. The signs are ordered and will be installed right away. Sometimes as the Mayor and Council, we deal with issues that are beyond our control. There was a problem pouring concrete to secure the digital signs due to the outdoor temperature. He mentioned he has spoken to the Chief of Police and discussed this matter. The Chief of Police will get back to you regarding the solutions we came up with to resolve the pedestrian safety issue on Blanch Ave. There is consideration of securing bus service for the children that need it, our grandkids take a bus to avoid the safety issues that you have concerns about. Spoke to the Borough Engineer Mr. Polyniak regarding this matter. There are restrictions on where the signs can go and what the speed limit can be. He said I know you have requested a reduction of the speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph, we will work on that. He then requested from Borough Engineer Mr. Polyniak address the concerns Ms. Goodman has presented.

GP- He said we reviewed the situation on Blanch Ave. as a whole in terms of installing sidewalks and/or crosswalks. There were many discussions and meetings held with the Bergen County Engineer Mr. Femia and the Bergen County Traffic Engineer Ms. Nancy Dargis on where to place crosswalks or sidewalks on Blanch Ave. he mentioned heading eastbound coming in from Old Tappan into HP there is a substantial curve with a speed limit of 35 mph. Coming in westbound from Norwood into HP you have a substantial curve in the road with a speed limit of 35 mph. This creates sight distance issues, which in turn is dangerous and the County does not approve of putting crosswalks there. The only place Bergen County approved to place the crosswalks and/or sidewalks is by Higgins since it is in the center of the two curbs. But there would be a substantial sidewalk that would need to be constructed, which will create damage to the properties in that area (driveways etc.) Also, in inclement weather, that sidewalk would be buried under snow. A discussion with the residents in that area would need to take place before we can construct a sidewalk. We are currently discussing with Bergen County the option of placing flashing speed signs on both sides of Blanch Ave. Studies will be conducted by HP, Bergen County, and the State. We are also suggesting having police presence and flashing speed limit signs which will make the commuters slow down. This will create a safe atmosphere for pedestrians and commuters.

PAH Ms. Goodman in addition to what Mr. Polyniak has stated, our traffic control officer and I have called Bergen County numerous times and they have not called us back. He explained that the Borough is sending out notices to the residents that will be impacted by putting in a sidewalk – their driveways have to be dug up. There is a telephone pole that Rockland Electric might not agree to move. He wanted the members of the audience to know that the Borough is working on getting this done to ensure that the residents feel safe. He suggested bus service for that part of town might eliminate the need to install a sidewalk.

Janet Goodman, 589 Lynn Street – She requested Mr. Polyniak to describe the curves in Blanch Ave. and how is it different from one County Road to the other county roads that have crosswalks and/or sidewalks. She stated that she does not want other residents' driveways or lawns dug up. She mentioned the residents will petition Bergen County to lower the speed limit on Blanch Ave. She requested the Mayor's help to ensure pedestrian safety crossing Blanch Ave.

GP – He referenced the map behind the Council and he explained that the curves on Blanch Ave. are substantial. He also affirmed that he and the Borough are working with the Bergen County Engineer and the Bergen County Traffic Engineer's offices to resolve the safety issue. This is a Bergen County Road and they have the jurisdiction to decide whether a crosswalk and/or sidewalk will be placed or not. We have to go through the proper process.

Patrick Bland, 44 Rugen Drive – He stated after receiving a letter from Ms. Goodman he did his own research. If River Vale was able to do this on a Bergen County Road, maybe our governing body could contact the Borough of River Vale to see how it was done. He mentioned the speed limit in River Vale is 30 mph and where there is a curve in the road it is 15 mph. Why can't a crosswalk be placed on the east side of Burkhardt towards Old Tappan? Reduce the speed limit to 30 mph it is a residential area. He stated he does not want his driveway dug up. The flashing speed limit signs can be placed before the commuter reaches the crosswalk. He recommended placing a crosswalk on the corner of Burkhardt/Colonial as opposed to tearing up residents' yards or driveways.

PAH requested KJT to reach out to the Borough of River Vale to ask them how they resolved the same safety issue in their town.

GP - He stated just so the public is aware, we have researched all possible solutions to the matter at hand. But the last thing we want to do is put in a crosswalk and/or sidewalk and damage residents' property. We have discussed a crosswalk on Lynn & Burkhardt with Bergen County and it will not be permitted by Bergen County due to blind spots. Discussions need to be had between the Governing Body and residents to come up with the best solution without causing hardship and damage to the residential property.

Jennifer Fisher, 111 South Colonial Drive – she mentioned she has three children and has been a resident of HP for thirteen years. As a mom of newborns, she could never walk to Pondside Park due to pedestrian safety issues. She mentioned Blanch Ave. is a very wide road and she almost got hit by a car twice. She stated she is hearing that crosswalks and/or sidewalks cannot be placed on Higgins, Burkhardt, or Colonial due to the resident's hardship of digging up their property, but an even worse hardship will be if one of my kids or I get struck by a car. She described it as not a safe environment. If River Vale did it – is that an option for HP? My kid is being bused from school and he almost got hit by a car when he got off the bus. She suggested we need to reduce the speed limit and contact River Vale.

PAH stated KJT will contact River Vale tomorrow to request information on how they resolved the pedestrian issue in their town.

***JRD left the meeting at 8:41 pm.**

JC stated I grew up in HP and had to walk to HS. I use to cross from Higgins it is nerve-wracking to cross Blanch Ave. She suggested lowering the speed limit, narrowing the roadway, and finding solutions that will not destroy resident properties. She asked GP if there are any grant opportunities available to the Borough.

GP – He said we can contact Bergen County regarding reducing the speed limit. In terms of narrowing the roadway, it will be more expensive. There are several grants available to apply to for this matter if the Governing Body wishes to do so.

Lori Lynn O’Neil, 52 First Street – She said we are encouraging our kids to walk more and I do not allow my kids to walk until they are in 8th grade at least, because it is dangerous to cross Blanch Ave. If we are going to tell our kids to walk more, please do not force us to drive them across Blanch Ave.

Marie Drohan, 38 Lee Ave. – She stated since she received the letter from Janet last year she has sent two emails to the Borough to support Janet’s request and to put in a request for a crosswalk to be installed from Lafayette Rd. to Blanch Ave. (by Pondside Park). She did not receive a response from the Borough. She said when she walks her dog and crosses Blanch Ave. she almost got struck by a vehicle. In another incident, a commuter yelled at her as she was trying to get to Pondside Park. There is no respect for pedestrians. She mentioned she works for the biggest accounting firm in the world and they always come up with solutions. Her hope is after this meeting, there will be necessary steps taken to address this pedestrian safety issue. In favor of sidewalks, how did River Vale do it? She said let’s work together and take the next steps to get this done.

Cheryl Rezendes, 18 Pine Place – She stated she does not live anywhere near Blanch Ave. but is here to support. We have established that Blanch Ave. is a county road, it’s a straight away. There is no shrubbery, no sidewalks there is nothing there to make the commuters slow down. She said installing a sidewalk in that area should be discussed with the homeowners. She questioned GP about how was the crosswalk installed on Parkside and Harriot.

GP- He stated it was discussed with Bergen County and they approved it.

Cheryl Rezendes, 18 Pine Place – stated we need to start thinking about applying for grants. Instead of paving a road this year, we should address this pedestrian safety issue on Blanch Ave.

Helen Maginn, 52 Blauvelt Drive – She concurred with Ms. Goodman stating that this conversation took place at a meeting in 2021. Nothing has been done to address this safety issue. The Police Chief even agreed Blanch Ave. is dangerous and signs will be put in but still nothing has been done. She mentioned her three children and that they bike to school- not safe. Did the Borough ever apply for Safe Route to School Grant? I would like to see the documentation.

JC - She stated the Borough did not apply to Safe Route to School because the Borough needs approval from Northern Valley Regional High School at Old Tappan (NVRHS) The Borough did not receive approval from NVRHS. The Borough is applying for a Community Development Grant.

Helen Maginn, 52 Blauvelt Drive – She questioned if there are any other grants that the Borough can apply for. She stated that it is not acceptable that the Borough does not move to resolve this matter. We are requesting sidewalks/crosswalks without destroying residential property.

GP - He stated there are numerous grants that the Borough can apply for such as Municipal Aid, NJDOT Grants, and Community Development Grants but again it is a County Road and Bergen County needs to approve this.

PAH - He assured the residents present that within a couple of days, digital signs will be put up. HP has no control over this, it is a County Road. He also stated we are trying our best to come up with safe solutions for the HP community.

Jerry Vitsentzatos, 195 Blanch Ave. – He stated he lives on Blanch Ave. on the side where the installation of sidewalks is being proposed. He mentioned he is an insurance adjuster and deals with accidents all the time. He mentioned he has two children just like everyone else. Blanch Ave. is very dangerous, his suggestion is to lower the speed limit to 20 mph, and install flashing speed limit signs, landing pads, and crosswalks. He says his kids ride their bikes all the time and cross Blanch Ave. he cringes. He affirmed he does not want a sidewalk installed because he does not want his property dug up. He mentioned sidewalks are a liability to homeowners

GP - He stated it would be hard to have crosswalks without sidewalks due to ADA regulations.

Carolyn Wright, 21 Herring Court – She stated she moved from Cresskill which did not have sidewalks in the town either. She was very happy moving to HP because she has children and she wanted to take them to Pondside Park. She cannot let her kids walk to Pondside Park because Blanch Ave. is dangerous to cross. She said she was present to support the rest of the residents that are here with their request to address the safety issue on Blanch Ave. Can we get bike lanes on Blanch Ave? HP has wonderful parks and wants her kids to enjoy them. Can there be something done that will make it safer for our children to be able to cross Blanch Ave.?

Joseph Zavardino, 68 Green Way – He concurred with the residents that were present. Blanch Ave. is very dangerous to cross. He suggested that they petition the County and have a plan in place. He asked the Governing Body if there are any plans to pave Carlton Lane. He mentioned three years ago a woman fell by his driveway- there is a hump or something at the end of his driveway. He knows there is a road improvement program, he asked if the Governing Body consider paving Carlton Lane. He said he mentioned it to the Borough and the Mayor has called him back.

PAH – He thanked Joseph Zavardino for attending the meeting. Then said he will try to get the legal reason behind why certain solutions cannot be done at Blanch Ave. None of us (the Mayor and Council including the Borough Engineer) are postponing dealing with this pedestrian safety issue. This is a County Road and the County has to deal with the laws that govern this. He promised the digital signs will go up right away and it will slow down the traffic.

Janet Goodman, 589 Lynn Street – she mentioned at a meeting in the fall of 2021, we were told that there is no funding for this project and it will be available. So actions did not match up with the words, so that meeting was untruthful.

PAH - He stated he takes an exception to Ms. Goodman's comment on holding an untruthful meeting. As the Mayor and Council, we try our best to resolve matters, and we do not purposely delay anything. We will do what we can, but I cannot guarantee anything. We are in pursuit to make things happen to resolve this matter. He thanked the residents for their input and wished them a good evening.

(PAH) Close the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) Return to the Regular Order of Business-Time: 8:50 p.m.

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) Minutes Approval

2023 Sine Die and Reorganization Meeting

Motion JP

Second DW

Discussion – None.

Vote AIF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION PRESENTATION AT 8:55 pm – Peter Ardito, Chair

Mr. Ardito reported on the Environmental Commission's activities by stating the following:

2022

1. Planted 14 trees

2. Did a clean-up event with HP Teens for Tomorrow and Veolia.
3. Three bee hives

Thank the Police Department and the Department of Public Works for all their cooperation and assistance.

Environmental upcoming Events for 2023

- Community Garden at HP Elementary School.
- Beechwood Trail work in the Spring - wood chips that trail
- Mulch sale in April.
- Shred Event at Borough Hall Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 9 am to 1 pm.
- Plan to do two more community clean-ups.
- Hope to do a planting project at Don Horsey Park.
- Looking for a landscaper to beautify the landscaping at Borough Hall.

JC mentioned that Three Brothers Landscaping Company volunteered to maintain the 9/11 Memorial and she would ask them if they will do the landscaping for Borough Hall.

Mr. Ardito mentioned that he had a meeting with Allegro Officials last week regarding wetlands. The Planning Board had stipulated in their contract that they are to contact the Environmental Commission for any environmental matters. Allegro wants to bring in a landscaper to remove some trees, if I am available I will go when they do it. There are very strict restrictions because it is wetlands but they have to maintain it. He mentioned a letter he sent to the Old Tappan Administrator regarding the water runoff from the Central Ave. project but no response from her. He proposed a meeting with Old Tappan because this water runoff is creating a problem at Pondsides. He mentioned a meeting that he will be attending on February 21, 2023, with a representative from Orange and Rockland regarding the property in between Closter Rd. and Schraalenburgh Road. This property was damaged by Orange and Rockland and they are responsible for fixing this. He proposed the installation of two Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers one will be located at Borough Hall and the other at the business district. He spoke to Superintendent of Public Works, Sewer Operator & Recycling Coordinator Steve Nappi regarding the EV chargers. He said he had two other items to present but he will present them at another M & C meeting.

(PAH) Consent Agenda-Resolutions-

All matters listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion as listed below. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. Should discussion be desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under New or Old Business on the Agenda. The following resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved (Resolution #2023-42 - Resolution #2023-56):

RESOLUTION # 2023-42	Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department Junior Membership Adeline M. Kraus.
RESOLUTION # 2023-43	Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department- Pericles J. Gatanas
RESOLUTION # 2023-44	Resolution awarding contract to Northwest Utilities Authority Pursuant to a Shared Service Agreement
RESOLUTION # 2023-45	Appointing Tara McCann as Social Media Coordinator
RESOLUTION # 2023-46	Authorizing Refund of Redemption monies to Outside Lien Holder
RESOLUTION # 2023-47	Authorize the hiring of part-time Crossing Guard – David Bradley
RESOLUTION # 2023-48	Authorize the hiring of part-time Crossing Guard – John Ronan
RESOLUTION # 2023-49	Authorize permanent status for Officers Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan
RESOLUTION # 2023-50	Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department- Nicholas Varni
RESOLUTION # 2023-51	Authorize Change Order #1 for the Norma Roadway Improvement Project
RESOLUTION # 2023-52	Authorize Final Payment to American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC for the Riverside Cooperative Paving Program Contract
RESOLUTION # 2023-53	Authorize Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$9,391.00 to American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC for the Norma Roadway Improvements (NJDOT Funded)
RESOLUTION # 2023-54	Resolution authorizing Purchase Contracts with certain approved Co-op Contract Vendors Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)

RESOLUTION # 2023-55
RESOLUTION # 2023-56

Borough of Harrington Park Resolution adjusting the hours of the Building Inspector
LOSAP 2022 Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Company No. 1

Motion GE
Second JP

Roll Call

Yes: AN, GE, WB, DW, JP, JC

No: -0-

***JP** abstained from voting on Resolution # 2023-49. He voted yes on all rest of the resolutions.

***WB** abstained from voting on Resolution # 2023-56. He voted yes on all the rest of the resolutions.

Individual Committee Reports
(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher

PAH stated he is holding a Department Head meeting tomorrow at 10 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to improve the communication process. He mentioned at times residents will call me regarding a major issue before the Borough does. The chain of command will also be discussed. He invited the Council to attend if anyone wanted to.

(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire, Ambulance

- Reported on a meeting with EVAC regarding a long-term financial plan. He also mentioned that he spoke with Acting Administrator KJT.
- Fire Department has submitted a FEMA Grant.

(GE) Police, Municipal Court, Personnel

GE stated he would like to keep his report for the next meeting.

(DW) DPW, Building & Grounds, Sanitation/Recycling

DW stated she would like to keep her report for the next meeting.

(WB) Board of Health, Environmental Commission

WB stated he would like to keep his report for the next meeting.

(JP) Finance, Admin. & Exec., Grants

- Reported on the ANCHOR Program for seniors. Forms are online and the deadline to submit is February 28, 2023.
- KJT will meet with the Bond Counsel.
- KJT will meet with Department heads regarding the 2023 Budget.

(JC) Recreation Commission, Liaison to Board of Education, Public Information

JC stated she would like to keep her report for the next meeting.

(KJT) Acting Borough Administrator

No report.

Old Business

AN stated that a resolution to host the 2023 Farmer Market needs to be put on the next meeting agenda.

GE mentioned the Fire Department drills and stated that they created a bit of commotion due to the Fire Department's lack of notification to residents prior to drills.

AN said that the Fire Department will notify residents of fire drills ahead of time.

New Business

Ordinances

None.

(PAH) Mayor's Report

No official report at this time.

(PAH) Open the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

No comment from the public.

(PAH) Close the Meeting to the Public for General Discussion

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) Motion for Closed Session Time: 9:10 pm. JRD called back into the meeting.

Second GE

Vote AIF

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits a public body to conduct business in Closed Session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain matters in Closed Session as permitted by the aforesaid statute.

(JC) Potential Litigation-Swim Club

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that discussion of the aforementioned subjects may be made public at such time as disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect the interest and Borough as to said discussion.

Return to Open Session

Adjournment-Time: 9:27 pm

Motion: GE

Second: JP

Vote: AIF

(PAH) Return to the Regular Order of Business-Time: 9:28 pm

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) Motion to Adjourn the meeting Time: 9:30 pm
Second JP
Vote AIF

RESOLUTION # 2023-42 Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department Junior Membership

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park approve the admittance of the following member in the Harrington Park Junior Volunteer Fire Department: Adeline M. Kraus.

BE IT RESOLVED that applicant shall also be approved for membership with the signed permission of his/her parent or guardian and medical examination.

RESOLUTION # 2023-43 Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department

To approve the admittance of Pericles J. Gatanas, Haworth, New Jersey as an active member of the Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department and shall also be approved for membership in New Jersey's State Fireman's Association.

RESOLUTION # 2023-44 Resolution awarding the contract to Northwest Utilities Authority Pursuant to a Shared Service Agreement

WHEREAS, exigent circumstances exist within the Borough of Harrington Park creating issues of safety for its residents as a result of unusual flooding;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park have determined that an emergency does and hereby exists;

WHEREAS, continual flooding is a hazard to water quality as well as creating damage and danger to local property and persons within the Borough;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined to inspect and repair the aging storm drainage within the Borough;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined to enter a joint services agreement with Northwest Utilities Authority which has the capability of inspecting and advising the Borough of Harrington Park as to the condition of its stormwater system;

WHEREAS, Northwest Utilities Authority has proposed that the Borough of Harrington Park enter a joint services agreement for the provision of services and the inspection of the stormwater system;

Whereas, the agreements for services are as follows:

- 1) Shared Service Agreement with the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority for TV Inspection Services
- 2) Shared Service Agreement with the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning

WHEREAS, the Borough of Harrington Park has authorized the delivery and execution of such shared services agreement with the Northwest Utilities Authority;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Harrington Park has certified that sufficient funds are available for this purpose.

WHEREAS, Tara McCann has for some time worked he Borough Hall as an assistant to the clerk for 3 hours per day Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday; and

WHEREAS, her responsibilities will include directly working for Mayor Paul A Hoelscher 2 hours a week writing, editing, and servicing the secretarial needs of the mayor as well as the duties of Facebook Coordinator. In addition, Tara McCann will also become the editor of the Borough newsletter;

WHEREAS, CFO has certified that funds are available and the position will be added to the 2023 salary ordinance. Payment will be paid retroactively from January 1, 2023.

RESOLUTION # 2023-46 Authorizing Refund of Redemption monies to Outside Lien Holder

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #21-00002 was sold to US Bank as Custodian Act lien for \$35,051.59 and at 0% and \$150,700.00 premium

TOTAL: \$81,954.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$81,954.00 to US Bank as Custodian Act lien, US Bank Global Corp Trust Svs, 50 S.16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #21-00002

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RESOLUTION # 2023-47 Authorize the hiring of part-time Crossing Guard – David Bradley

WHEREAS, Council has been advised by Chief Murphy that there is a need for additional crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy recommends the hiring of David Bradley to fill a such part-time position as of March 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bradley will be trained appropriately and be paid only when he is called in to work at the prevailing wage as per the 2022 Salary Ordinance; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of Harrington Park shall hire David Bradley for the position of crossing guard.

RESOLUTION 2023-48 Authorize the hiring of a part-time Crossing Guard – John Ronan

WHEREAS, Council has been advised by Chief Murphy that there is a need for additional crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy recommends the hiring of John Ronan to fill a such part-time position as of March 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ronan will be trained appropriately and be paid only when he is called in to work at the prevailing wage as per the 2022 Salary Ordinance; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of Harrington Park shall hire John Ronan for the position of a crossing guard.

RESOLUTION # 2023-49 Authorize permanent status for Officers Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Council have established by ordinance a police department.

WHEREAS, such an ordinance has been from time amended to include new positions and to otherwise provide for the efficient operation of the Police Department.

WHEREAS, there currently are two police officers, Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan serving a probationary term as allowed by law;

WHEREAS, the Police Commission in conjunction with the Chief has recommended each officer, Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan be granted permanent status as they have satisfied their probationary period on such terms and conditions as set forth in their initial hiring and PBA Contract;

WHEREAS, the Mayor, who endorses and now offers such individuals to the Council for Approval.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that it is in the best interests of the Borough to accept Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan into the Harrington Park Police Department on permanent status;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park hereby employ and hire Ryan William Soodsma and Michael McClellan on permanent status having served a satisfactory probationary period.

RESOLUTION # 2023-50 Membership Approval Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department- Nicholas Varni

To approve the admittance of Nicholas Varni, of Harrington Park, New Jersey as an active member of the Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department and shall also be approved for membership in New Jersey's State Fireman's Association.

RESOLUTION # 2023-51 Authorize Change Order #1 for the Norma Roadway Improvement Project

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park of Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer that the Change Order for the Contract listed below be and is hereby approved.

TITLE OF JOB: Norma Roadway Improvements

CONTRACTOR: American Asphalt & Trucking, 818 Summer Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07104

CHANGE ORDER N°: 1

AMOUNT OF CHANGE THIS RESOLUTION: \$3,557.13 (+2.68% Increase)

AMOUNT OF CHANGE TO DATE: \$3,557.13 (+2.68% Increase)

This Resolution to take effect upon certification by the Borough Treasurer that sufficient funds are available.

Dated: _____ **Certified:** _____
Treasurer

Dated: _____ **Approved:** _____
Mayor

NEGLIA FILE: HAPKMUN22.011

I, Leena Abaza, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park at a regular meeting held February 13, 2023.

Dated: _____
Clerk

RESOLUTION # 2023-52 Authorize Final Payment to American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC for the Riverside Cooperative Paving Program Contract

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey that the contract for the **2022 Riverside Cooperative Paving Program** which was constructed by **American Asphalt & Trucking**, is in accordance with the Specifications, as directed by the Project Engineer. The said construction is hereby accepted and the final payment in the amount of **Thirty-Three Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety-Four Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$33,294.75)** is hereby approved.

This Resolution is to take effect immediately.

Dated: _____ **Approved:** _____
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Leena Abaza, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, at a regular meeting held

Dated: _____
Clerk

RESOLUTION # 2023-53 Authorize Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$9,391.00 to American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC for the Norma Roadway Improvements (NJDOT Funded)

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey that the contract for the Norma Roadway Improvements (NJDOT Funded) currently constructed by American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC are in accordance with the Plans and Specifications, as directed by the Project Engineer. The said construction is hereby accepted for Payment No. 2 in the amount of Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-One Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$9,391.22) is hereby approved.

This Resolution to take effect immediately.

Dated: _____ Approved: _____
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Leena Abaza, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, at a regular meeting held February 13, 2023.

Dated: _____
Clerk

RESOLUTION # 2023-54 Resolution authorizing Purchase Contracts with certain approved Co-op Contract Vendors Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:11-11(5) AND N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.9(a) , the Borough may, by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase goods or services under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey 65-MCESCCPS for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Harrington Park has a need to purchase, on a timely basis, goods or services utilizing State contracts during 2023; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of goods and services through a cooperative purchasing program is considered to be an open and fair process under the New Jersey Pay-To-Play Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS the Borough of Harrington Park plans to utilize the State Contract Vendors listed on the attachment, such transactions shall be subject to all conditions applicable to the current State contracts; now, therefore,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified that funds are available to spend in the account of C-04-55-222-763-004 for a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Pursuit 4W in the amount of \$49,048.05

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, in the County of Bergen, that the Borough is hereby authorized to purchase goods or services in 2023 from the approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the following list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts:

<u>Commodity / Service</u>	<u>State Contract Vendors</u> <u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>State Contract#</u>
2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Pursuit Base 4WD	Mall Chevrolet 75 Haddonfield Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08002	#65MCESCCPS- ESCNJ 20/21-09

RESOLUTION # 2023-55 Borough o Harrington Park Resolution for adjusting the hours of the Building Inspector

WHEREAS, the Borough of Harrington Park, in the interest of safety and as required by Law employs a Building Inspector within the Borough limits;

WHEREAS, the Building Inspector, Robert Rush, in conjunction with Scott Wickersham, the Executive of the Building Department, determine that there should be a change in the hours that Mr. Rush works;

WHEREAS, it has been decided that Mr. Rush would work Monday from 3:15 P.M. to 5:15 P.M. doing inspections and will be available in his office in Borough Hall between 5:15 P.M. and 6:15 P.M. on Thursday Mr. Rush will work from 4:45 P.M. to 6:15 P.M., performing inspections and will be in his office from 6:15 P.M. to 6:45 P.M. and finally on Friday Mr. Rush will be in his office from 11:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the Building Inspectors hours are changed as referenced herein.

RESOLUTION # 2023-56 LOSAP 2022 Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Company No. 1

WHEREAS, the Borough of Harrington Park has adopted a LOSAP program for the members of the Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Brockman, President of Harrington Park Fire Company No. 1 has certified that certain eligible members meet the established criteria, a copy of the said list of eligible members for the year 2022 being attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough Of Harrington Park hereby authorizes the Borough Treasurer to initiate the LOSAP Payments in the names of those deemed eligible to receive them.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leena Abaza, RMC
Deputy Clerk